

HOUSE BILL 520
By Shaw

SENATE BILL 1140

By Gresham

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39,
Chapter 17, Part 4, relative to possession of
controlled substances.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-418, is amended by adding the
following language as a new subsection:

(g) The trier of fact may infer from a controlled substance found in the
defendant's blood, lawfully obtained, that the defendant possessed the controlled
substance in violation of this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it, and
shall apply to any person committing the offense of simple possession of a controlled substance
under § 39-17-418, on or after such date.